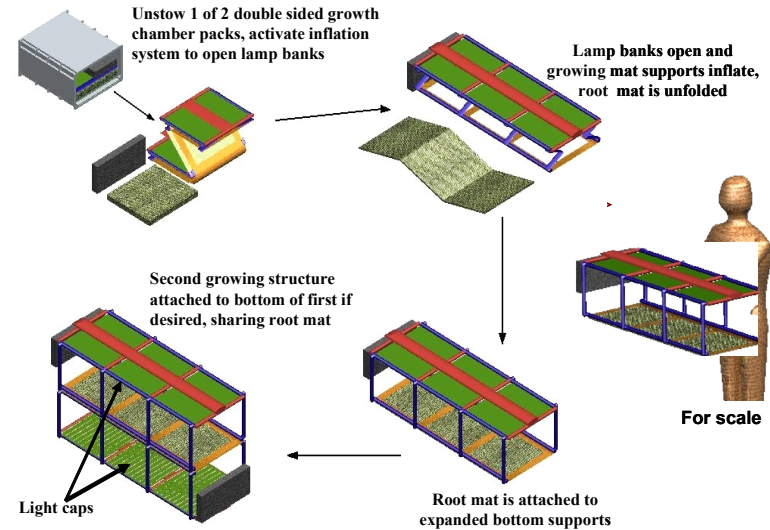


Deployable Vegetable Production System (Veggie)

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Identification and Significance of Innovation

- Produces vegetable (salad) crops to supplement prepackaged foods during long stays in space
- System deploys using telescoping or inflatable beams, or bellow type system
- Expands from single middeck locker to $> 1.5\text{m}^2$
- Light source stows within same volume
- Compressible nutrient and water delivery system,
- Semi-passive atmospheric control system



Technical Objectives

- Develop mechanisms to transition the VEGGIE from a small stowed configuration to a large growing area configuration
- Develop a stowable lighting system
- Develop a compressible root zone
- Develop semi-passive atmospheric control system
- Fabricate working prototypes
- Evaluate planting scenarios
- Conduct demonstration plant growth tests

NASA Applications

- Provides crew with palatable, nutritious & safe source of fresh food
- Provides crew with a tool for relaxation and recreation

Non-NASA Applications

- Horticulture therapy device in facilities where psychological and/or physical therapy is required
- Pre-college & college level science classes as educational tool
- Residential/business decorative display, recreational garden

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